

Town and Country Correspondence

WAVERLY

As Mrs. Rose German was emptying a boiler of water she slipped and fell and was badly burned about her chest and arms. A physician was summoned at once.

L. W. Arnold is home for his holiday vacation.

Mrs. Charles Johnson has had another stroke of apoplexy.

Isodore and Paul Shered, Cora and Claude Olmstead and Theodore Bell visited Glendale school last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Johnson of Kalamazoo are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnson.

The Willing Workers of the Riverside Sunday school will meet with Miss Winifred Warner this evening, December 17.

While Harry Scamehorn was shredding corn for the Allen brothers last week he had the misfortune to have three of his fingers cut off.

Miss Hazel Shears and Charlie Overdorth were married at Paw Paw last Sunday and left Monday for Ohio, where they will spend their honeymoon.

Tax Notice

I will be at Allen Bros.' store in Glen dale on Friday, December 10, and at H. C. Waters' hardware store in Paw Paw on Saturday, December 11, and the same day of each succeeding week until further notice, for the collection of Waverly township taxes.

Bert Adriance,
Treasurer Waverly Township.

GLENDALE

The League held their monthly business meeting at the home of Levi Hurlbut on Tuesday evening.

Miss Carrie Hurlbut spent a week at the Adam Beach home caring for the sick.

Mrs. Martz is on the sick list.

The Woodmen are repairing their sheds.

M. J. Shered is having a nice time with boils.

There will be a New Year's dinner at the church New Year's day. All are invited and bring something good for dinner.

Mrs. German was quite badly burned last Monday morning while helping to carry some boiling water. There was snow on the ground and she slipped, throwing the water over her arms and face. Dr. Smith attended her injuries.

PROSPECT VALLEY

James Campbell met with quite a serious accident Monday afternoon while they were shredding corn. In some way his glove was caught and his hand drawn into the machine. Three fingers were taken off at the first joint and his hand badly crushed. He is getting along very nicely, however, but will be laid up for some time.

Albert Campbell, who has been in Republican City, Neb., for some time, is expected home Wednesday.

D. P. Smith was in Allegan on railroad business Wednesday.

"Old Ben," the black horse that was owned by C. P. Rawson years ago and later sold with the old farm to Mr. Frohman, died of old age recently.

Mrs. J. Hilton, who has been indisposed the past week, is now convalescent.

Messrs. Weaver and Sensible, students of E. M. C., Berrien Springs, are staying at the home of James Campbell. They are assisting in the S. D. A. meetings during the week of prayer.

Oh no, it does not cost anything to live in the country. We can no longer sing the good old song, "The Land of the Free," when we have to pay from one dollar to five per acre this year. Let's prepare for war.

ALMENA

An old fashioned Christmas tree will be held by the M. E. Sunday school at the church Christmas eve. An interesting program is being prepared. Parents and friends are urged to attend and bring their gifts to help make it a success.

Misses Hildur and Estella Miller were home from Kalamazoo over Sunday.

Willard Rumsey of Toquon visited friends here over Sunday.

The young ladies of Grape Leaf arbor met Tuesday night to make preparations for the fancy drill to be given in Kalamazoo at the Gleaner convention in January.

Mrs. J. J. Blower left Thursday for Daytona Beach, Fla., where she will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Miner returned Monday from Grand Rapids, where they had been called by the illness of her nephew.

Mrs. Ted Manning returned last week from Chicago, where she had been visiting relatives.

Rev. Carman was unable to be here last Sunday on account of illness.

The Brethren Sunday school will hold their exercises Christmas eve at their church.

Fred Harrington left for Flint last week, where he has a position.

A message just received by wireless from Santa Claus states that he will surely be present at the M. E. church Christmas eve.

Gliddenburg.

Robert and Margaret, twins, came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Woodman early Saturday morning. They decided to stay. Dave wears a grin that won't wear off.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Benwire and daughter June spent Saturday night and Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Benwire.

There will be a box social at the Gliddenburg school house this evening, December 17. Everybody invited. The sleighing is good so let's boost for the social. An auctioneer will be elected by popular vote.

It is a good time now to pay your taxes before you spend all of your money for Christmas.

Carl Dnnham is living in Len Shepard's farm house and is going to do chores for Mr. Shepard this winter.

The Gliddenburg arbor of Gleaners met Tuesday night at the home of Joseph Labadie and wife for the purpose of electing officers and to vote in some new members.

Julio Sheldon, formerly of Gliddenburg, now of Paw Paw, is very ill and not expected to live.

Lacota.

C. Y. Tyler went to Mesick, Monday, to spend the winter with his sister, Mrs. Ida Egels.

Chas. Bates has been on the sick list.

Elza Crosby is home after spending several weeks in the West.

The Sheldon school will have a Christmas tree and program Friday night.

F. H. Crosby and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Al. Conner in Columbia township.

Arthur Welch was in Grand Rapids on business Thursday.

Riverside.

Rev. Shape will preach at Riverside next Sunday. The Sunday school voted last Sunday to discontinue their school for the first quarter of 1916.

Wayne Wilson and family are moving to town.

Lloyd Truitt, who is here from Buffalo visiting his sister, Mrs. Stanton, will help Mr. Deane for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Casselman entertained his sister, Mrs. Alice Smith, and her daughter Violet of Hartford a part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Huey visited friends at Three Rivers a part of last week.

Mrs. Lamson has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Huey.

Herman Grahl was called to Coloma last week by the serious illness of his father.

The parcel post social held at the Holdridge home cleared \$6.50 for the Sunday school.

We are glad to hear that Wayne Rider is able to sit up.

The Gleaners will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Casselman, Wednesday evening, December 22.

Election of officers and a fine oyster supper were enjoyed at the Cole home December 8.

Mr. McDougl was called to Benton Harbor last Monday by the illness of his brother Lorenzo. He expected to bring him home with him to care for him, but he was unable to be moved.

COVERT

One of the saddest accidents that has ever happened in Covert occurred last week Wednesday, when Pete Jen, sen, a young man 19 years of age, slipped in a corn shredder while working on the Howard Bates farm. One leg was cut off above the knee. It was some time before he could be gotten out, owing to the shock and loss of blood. He died about 4 o'clock the same day. The funeral was held at the home of his parents north-west of Covert last Saturday.

A son of Mr. Scott, a barber of Bangor, was buried here last Friday.

Miss Alta Denny of Casco has been visiting at the home of Robert Ford.

The Friendship club wish to thank the patrons of their bazaar, which was held last week. The club had planned to hold the sale two days, but sold out nearly everything the first day. About \$40 was realized.

Lloyd Rhoades has moved to Packard to run the store for J. R. Spelman & Co. Ed. Bostwick, who has been there the past two years, has returned to his farm.

George Leslie has been confined to the house with rheumatism.

BANGOR

The L. A. S. met Wednesday with Mrs. James Jewell for their December social.

Miss Carrie Duran started Tuesday for Florida, where she will spend several months because of poor health.

Walter Webster is now nicely located in the McNitt building.

Mrs. Chas. Kelsey leaves Saturday for Grand Ledge on a visit to her parents. Her son accompanied her.

The L. O. T. M. T. elected officers Tuesday.

The school will render a program in the school auditorium Thursday evening.

Ashes From the Stogie

BY "DAD."



Truthful sez it beets all what a lot uv good material is wasted Christmas time makin bags that no wun uses.

Thars laundry bags and stokin bags, and bankercif bags, and napkin bags and doily bags, besides bags fur hare and bags fur buttons and bags fur bags. Oh shux, whats the use uv namim em over, and thare all fur Crismas presents. He ast hiz ole woman wh it wozent handier to put hanks, soks and napkins in a drawer, and not hev to pull the pukerin strings uva bag and fish em out when yu wanted em. And she sez shut up, yer never did no nothing.

Full Dress.

Ole ceeek Slocum went to a res-ep-tun wuzent and hiz ol lady ast him when Le kum home what the wimen wore as she understud it wuz a full dress afair. Deek sed he didnt feel like givin expert testemona, but he notised wun woman who stud with her bak tords him hed a small wart just abov her kidneys, and one hoo stud behind the pi-ner singin hed on a lite pare uv sus-penders abov the pi-ner, and he didnt no what she hed on below, and—stop rite where yu air deek slocum, I've hurd enuf, and ive sot mi fut down on yur goin to eny more uv them receptuns.

Sled.

The boy come sliding down the walk, Upon his bright new sled, He hit yur uncle on the shiu And he lit on his head.

R. A. M.

Next Monday night thare'll be "doins" at the Masons temple. Now this R. A. M. degree is so called because in inat-ing they use a ram instead of a goat that other societies use. On this occasion Andy Lang, Dwight Barker and Lew Miner will kill the ram and his carcass will be served at a banquet on the lower floor after the mess has been cleaned up. All companions are requested to be there.

The Life of Maple Leaves

In the Spring the swelling buds On the Winter boughs are seen, A flash the sunshine touches them, They turn to a dainty green. And now from buds they've been trans-formed

Like golden grain to sheaves, You've watched in Nature's crucible The birth of Maple Leaves.

Through Summer time and Autumn They furnish grateful shade, Underneath them in the moonlight, Lover's vows are often made. But when Autumn frosts have painted them

And they drop from off the trees, 'Tis the saddest season of the year, The death of Maple Leaves.

But when the streets and yards Are carpeted for miles, And everyone is working hard To rake them into piles, The match is touched the flames shoot up, The smoke it makes you sneeze, You wipe the smoke tears from your eyes, 'Tis the funeral of the leaves.

But now it's Merry Christmas time, And Santa Claus he comes Witl painted toys for children, Costly gifts for older ones, And the crystal fleecy snow flakes Float softly on the breeze And form a fitting covering For the graves of Maple Leaves.

Old Times

Ole Zeke Timkins, who lives up on the north branch, got in a reminiscent mood while rubbin up natral leaf ter fill his pipe, and yearned for the daes uv his childhood when the kentry wuz new and thare lived in a log house, and the yung 'uns slept up in the garrit under the ruff, and you cud look out thru the kraks in the shakes and see the stars. And in the winter when you'd jump out uv bed thared be bare fut tracks in the snow that hed blown in between the logs, and weed skedaddie down the ladder and dress in front uv the ol' fireplace with a backlog blazin' in it, and then weed hev venckon and Johnny cake and krust kofky fer breckfast. But the bed! They don't hev 'em like it now. It hed posts and rales atween 'em and a ro uv oger holes goin' clear round, and a rope runnin back and forth thru the holes. The holes wuz most allers inhabited, but as we wuz allers louzy and most uv the time hed the itch, it didn't

make much diffrunce. Thared be a straw tik with erbout 8 forkfuls uv straw in it. (The mice used to make nests in it and you cud heer 'em when you'd wake up in the nite.) and goose fether bed on top uv that, and then wullen blankets—yum! yum! and three uv us wud jump in and kuddle down and pull the kiverlid over our beds and tell bare stories until weed scare ourselves to sleep and then dream and dream. Oh, shucks! what's the use uv talkin erbout it? Some one give me a pipe uv boughten terbaker.

Breathes thare a man with sole so ded Who never to his wife bez sed, I am so glad that we air wed, Please make a batch uv home maid bred.

The Pipe

'Tis made in many shapes and forms, Of briarwood and ash; The aristocratic meerschaum And the graceful calabash, The porcelain for the Dutchman Is to him the fitting type, But for all kinds of times and weather, Give me a corncob pipe. When the Indians roamed this country Their pipes were made of stone, While the early pioneers Used either clay or bone; But for one that's always ready And seasoned up just rite There's nothing in the world Like a good old corncob pipe. 'Tis an emblem of peace And a solace to your soul, As the old time Indian weed Smoulders slowly in the bowl; If your head is in a muddle And your biz don't work out rite, Just go out on the back porch And hit the old cob pipe.

Salad

Ol' man Twichel kum down from the north branch and ast Nabe Hornberry what a salad wuz. He sed the ol' woman had ben invited to a quiltin over on the ridg rode at the ol' Stinger place, and thay wanted her to bring a salad, and she didnt no what it wuz, nor he ether. So she tuk a dish uv apple butter and some smear kase. Nabe had a koffin spell and then sed: "taint ennything that wuz ever kalkerlated ter eat, enny more'n a cow cumber cockle wuz intended to drink. Thay take a lot uv stuf that hedent orter go together, and some dressin on that looks like the yellor janders, take sum cold storage eggs and bile em harder than a base ball, cut em in two and stick round on top,—and that's a salad, and when you dig into it you kant tell eny more what its goin to taste like, than you ken tel when suckers are goin to run—Thare's 87 kinds and the pure food man is after all uv em.

Ole Jake Timkins wuz round behind the livry barn xplatin on the frailties uv man and also wimmen. He sed he hadent bin feelin well fer sum time, and went down to Kalamazoo to git sum medicine. He got a kuppule uv quarts uv the same brand of mikrobe destroyer that the two Johns used to sell. He sed he wuz discouraged. Things wuz goin to—over on the north branch as fast as tha cud. The girls hed got to wearin chesse kloth stokins, split skirts and wuz rammin around nites. The old woman hed put a puckerin string in the botom uv her kalico dress and it tuk 20 minits fer her to git out to the kow shed to do the milkin. She wanted to be a suffry-get and burn Joe Thompson's sider mill, and when he got home the other nite she wuz out in the barn dancin the tango with the hired man. Pass the bottle please.

Drops of Wisdom

If you hear an idle rumor, Some one's done to you a wrong, Never hurry, never worry, Just sing a little song. Just simply try and forget Their dirty little whack. For they surely can't be happy, When they talk behind your back, Pity these poor scandal mongers, They know not what they do; They would talk of someone else. If they didn't talk of you; And though you may be poor, And live in a humble shack, You are better than the hypocrite that talks behind your back.

Cow Story

Old Bill Jenkins, who lives in the north branch neighborhood, kum in with a lode uv karots. He sed he kalkerlated to feed 'em to his kow, but she hed up and died. He sed it wuz one of the singieriest kases ever herd uv. Last summer she seemed to be pining. Finally she went blind and last Monday she got into the barn where thare wuz a barl uv shavings thet hed sum bran sprinkled in and et up the hole barl. In a kuple uv daes she died and he cut her open and found two wooden bouls, al oval butter dishes, 3 doz. clothes pins and a tater masher.

Circuit and Probate Court News

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Robt. Klechak and wife, to Christian Kiefer and wife, 55.3 acres, Secs. 21 and 28, Pine Grove, \$7,000.00.

Effie R. Kipp to Wm. M. Burg and wife, lot 5, block 3, Stratton addition, Hartford, \$1,600.00.

John P. Harvey and wife to H. S. Whitney, ¼ acre, Sec. 15, Hartford, \$1.00.

H. S. Whitney and wife to Fred E. Fish, ¼ acre, Sec. 15, Hartford, \$650.00.

John F. Harvey and wife, to Cassius M. Van Riper, ¼ acre, Sec. 15, Hartford, \$1.00.

Cassius M. Van Riper and wife, to Thos. J. Johns, ¼ acre, Sec. 15, Hartford, \$125.00.

Thos. J. Johns and wife to Fred E. Fish, ¼ acre, Sec. 15, Hartford, \$150.00.

M. L. Decker and wife to Chas. R. Bradley, lot 8, block 19, Paw Paw, \$10.

George W. Showers and wife to Chas. H. Showers, pch. Sec. 21, Porter, \$1,400.00.

Dulcinea L. Nugent to Sch. Dist. No. 6, South Haven, ½ acre, Sec. 22, South Haven, \$80.00.

Nathaniel W. Smith, (by admr.) to Arthur A. Baushe and wife, 80 acres, Sec. 26, Columbia, \$5,000.00.

Mary A. Leonard to Ella Lobdell, lot 1, block 1, Hilliard's addition, Hartford, \$600.00.

Carrie L. Williams and husband to Anton Myers, 160 acres, Sec. 10, Bangor, \$10.00.

Chas. L. Northrup and wife to Lucius L. Weston, 15 acres, Sec. 5, Hartford, \$750.00.

Vernon C. Hastings et al. to Dee Udell, lot 21, H. and H.'s addition, Decatur, \$40.00.

Thos. Bratton and wife to Edgar R. Smith, lot 3, block 1, Old's addition, Hartford, \$145.00.

Jas. E. Abrams and wife to Archie E. Abrams and wife, 101 acres, Sec. 35, Lawrence, \$1.00.

Sidney King to O. R. Harter, pch. Sec. 13, Antwerp, \$50.00.

Fred B. Ochock and wife to Leo E. Warner, pch. Sec. 13, Paw Paw, \$1.00.

Henry Hartman and wife to Floyd M. Phillips, pch. Sec. 36, Covert, 6½ acres, \$375.00.

Steve DeHaan and wife to M. L. Decker, pch. Sec. 11, Paw Paw, \$1.00.

Joseph Zajkowski and wife to Chas. R. Bradley, pch. 10 acres, Sec. 21, Almema, \$10.00.

Sarah Dyer to Frank M. Dyer, pch. Sec. 14, 59 acres, Keeler, \$1.00.

Louise B. Thayer to Orville Rock et al., pch. Sec. 24, 60 acres, Paw Paw, \$2,500.00.

Frans O. Anderson and wife, to Wm. H. Arthur and wife, pch. Sec. 24, 1 acre, South Haven, \$2,500.00.

Eva C. Martin to Emery A. Hulbert and wife, pch. Sec. 32, Waverly, \$1.00.

Varnum H. Dilley et al. to Chas. M. Clark, et al., pch. 10 acres, Sec. 1, Geneva, \$750.00.

Anna E. Jackson and husband to Ella R. Gibbons, pch. Sec. 27, South Haven, \$2,000.00.

Robt. J. Barr and wife to Clyde Barnhart et al., pch. Sec. 14, 40 acres, Decatur, \$1.00.

Chas. R. Bradley to Antonia Czajkowski, lot 8, block 19, Paw Paw, \$10.

Wm. T. Welch et al. to J. M. Colburn pch. Sec. 36, 20 acres, Waverly, \$550.00.

Wm. A. Barrett et al. to Emma Fisk, pch. Sec. 28, Almema, \$15.00.

Chas. Blaka et al. to Vene Bates et al., pch. Sec. 13, Antwerp, \$300.00.

Emma Fisk to Walter Palis et al., pch. Sec. 28, Antwerp.

Lewis H. Gilbert & W. to Joseph Bishop & W., lot 1, 2, blk. 7, South Haven, \$150.00.

Mary P. Douglas to Geo. E. Wooley, lots 3 & 4, blk. 3, Lawrence.

Juan McKee & W. to Frank J. Pugliese & W., lot 11, blk. 2, Lawton, \$1000.

Emma E. Armstrong to Wilson B. Brainerd, et al., pch. village of Paw Paw.

Linda E. Blair to Robt. Wood; pch. Sec. 12, 39½ acres, Decatur.

Estey Back to Solomon Abbott & W., pch. Sec. 14, 40 acres, Almema.

Clesta Freeman to Orry C. Walker & W., lot 9, Kendall, \$700.00.

Wilbur J. Warner & W. to Edwin Reeves & W., pch. Sec. 25, Waverly.

Justin M. Colburn & W. to Edwin Reeves & W., pch. 20 acres, Sec. 36, Waverly.

Teklia Swartz to Arthur E. Halm, 20 acres, twp. Columbia, \$500.00.

Mary Strong Buell to Gage Buell et ux, 28 acres, Almema, \$1.00.

Mark T. Leonard & W. to Clara Eastman, pch. Sec. 24, Columbia, \$100.00.

Willis Clapp & W. to Julius M. Clapp lot 11, pch. 12, blk. 17, Paw Paw.

Charles B. Upham & W. to R. M. J. Hall, pch. Sec. 8, Porter, \$200.

Clayton Wilnot & W. to Albert Shock pch. Sec. 15, Bloomingdale, \$2200.

Ralph S. Smith & W. to Charles Holliday & W., 40 acres, Sec. 20, Porter \$3300.00.

A. B. Chase to David McCulloch, lots 6, 7, 8, blk. 5, Bangor, \$300.00.

Mary M. Willis to Thomas Henry Williams, Sec. 3, 24 acres, Arlington, \$800.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Herbert C. Bigelow vs. Arthur Reading. Appeal.

F. A. Racette vs. Interstate Business Mens' Accident association of Des Moines. Assumpsit.

People vs. Wm. Holderman. Felonious assault.

Isadore Lebosky & Sarah Lebosky vs. George Yore. Replevin.

Lucinda E. Beach vs. Perry Beach. Divorce.

No decrees filed.

Jurors for January term of Circuit Court will be drawn Friday, December 17th.

New Suits Filed—

Wm. Lefts vs. Elizabeth Lefts—bill for divorce.

Martha P. Crakes vs. Thomas F. Crakes—bill for divorce.

Marriage Licenses Issued.

Elwood Earl Hawes, 24, Berlamont; Anna Drake, 18, Lawton.

Henry Philip Hazelton, 24, Porter; Jeanette L. Tucker, 24, Mt. Clemens.